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SUBJECT: BULGARIAN COUNTERDRAFT JOINT AGRICULTURAL STATEMENT

1. BELOW IS TEXT OF SUBJECT COUNTERDRAFT PROVIDED
AMBASSADOR JULY 20. EMBASSY COMMENTS FOLLOW SEPTTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXT: QUOTE AGREEMENT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF
ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN THE
FIELD OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY BETWEEN THE MINISTRY
OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF BULGARIA AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY OF THE
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRI-
CULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HEREINAFTER CALLED
"THE CONTRACTING PARTIES", LED BY THE DESIRE TO EXPAND
THEIR ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY ON A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL
AND EQUAL-RIGHTS BASIS, HAVE AGREED TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING
AGREEMENT:
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ARTICLE 1

THE TWO CONTRACTING PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO ESTABLISH
COOPERATION IN:

1. COMMODITY EXCHANGE, WITH A VIEW TO ITS EXPANSION

2. TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGNING
3. EXCHANGE OF SPECIALISTS AND TRAINEES
4. SCIENCE
5. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION
6. EXCHANGE OF SEEDS, BREEDING MATERIAL AND SEMEN
7. EXCHANGE OF LABORATORY AND SCIENTIFIC AIDS.

ARTICLE 2

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL MAKE EVERY ENDEAVOUR TO NORMALIZE TRADE IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND FOODSTUFFS BETWEEN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL FACILITATE AND ENCOURAGE THE BILATERAL TRADE AND THE CONCLUSION OF VONTRACTS FOR PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND FOODSTUFFS BETWEEN FIRMS FROM THE US, ON THE ONE HAND, AND BULGARIAN TRADING ENTERPRISES, ON THE OTHER.

TO FURTHER THIU OBJECTIVE BOTH PARTIES WILL COOPERATE IN THE PRODUCTION OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES AND FOOD-STUFFS WHICH CAN BE EXPORTED TO EITHER COUNTRY OR TO A THIRD COUNTRY, THROUGH EXCHANGE OF TECHNOLOGIES, FORMULATIONS, PRODUCTION NORMS AND STANDARDS, TECHNICAL AND QUALITY INDEXES OF THE PRODUCTS AND THEIR PACKAGING.

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ARTICLE 3

TO PROMOTE COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGNING, THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL ENCOURAGE THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND SPECIALISTS ON A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL BASIS.

ARTICLE 4

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL MAKE AVAILABLE ON A RECIPROCAL BASIS A NUMBER OF TRAINEES AND SPECIALISTS, TO INCREASE THE QUALIFICATION IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY. THE NUMBER OF SPECIALISTS AND THE SUBJECTS WILL BE AGREED UPON ANNUALLY BY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES OR VIA DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. THE TRAVEL EXPENSES WILL BE PAID BY THE COUNTRY SENDING THE PERSON, AND THE EXPENSES CONNECTED WITH THE STAY ABROAD - BY THE HOST COUNTRY.

ARTICLE 5

THE TWO CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL ENCOURAGE THEIR RESPECTIVE RESEARCH INSTITUTES TO ESTABLISH DIRECT COOPERATION IN THE INVESTIGATION OF SOME RESEARCH PROBLEMS, THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST, THE ORGANIZATION OF SYMPOSIA AND CONFERENCES ON SUBJECTS OF INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES, THE EXCHANGE OF RESEARCHERS, FELLOWS, ETC. IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY.

ARTICLE 6

TO INCREASE THE INFORMATION FLOW THE TWO PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO EXCHANGE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, TECHNICAL AND PATENT INFORMATION. TO FACILITATE THIS EXCHANGE THE AGRICULTURAL ATTACHES OR OTHER EMBASSY OFFICIALS OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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TWO COUNTRIES WILL BE AUTHORIZED TO MEET AND CONSULT WITH OFFICIALS OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES. THE CONTACTS WILL BE MAINTAINED THROUGH THE DIRECTORATE OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AT THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY AND THE FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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ARTICLE 7

TME ANNEX TO THIS AGREEMENT FORMS AN INTEGRAL PART

THEREOF.

ARTICLE 8

TO PROMOTE CONTINUITY A PERMANENT WORKING GROUP ON COOPERATION IN AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY WILL BE ESTABLISHED, WHICH WILL DEVELOP AND ADOPT MEASURES FOR PUTTING INTO EFFECT THE PRESENT AGREEMENT. THIS GROUP WILL MEET ONCE A YEAR FOR CONSULTATIONS ON THE STATE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEASURES OUTLINED.

ARTICLE 9

TO REVIEW THE FULFILLMENT OF THE OBLIGATIONS ENSUING FROM THIS AGREEMENT, THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR THEIR RESPECTIVE DESIGNEES WILL MEET TWO YEARS AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT.

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THIS AGREEMENT SHALL ENTER INTO FORCE UPON SIGNATURE AND IS CONCLUDED FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS. UPON EXPIRY OF THIS TERM THE VALIDITY OF THE AGREEMENT WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY PROLONGED FOR FURTHER 5-YEAR PERIODS UNLESS ONE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WISHES TO DENOUNCE IT GIVING A WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE OTHER PARTY 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE TERMINATION OF THE RESPECTIVE 5-YEAR PERIOD.

FOR THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA:

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

ANNEX TO THE AGREEMENT FOR ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FOLLOWING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO CONTRACTING PARTIES, EACH PARTY AGREES TO PROVIDE THE OTHER WITH THE FOLLOWING DATA:

DATA REQUESTED: DATE OF AVAILABILITY

1. TOTAL AREA, AVERAGE YIELDS JUNE, FOR THE PREVIOUS
AND TOTAL PRODUCTION OF: YEAR.
GRAIN CROPS TOTAL TONS
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INDUSTRIAL CROPS TOTAL TONS
VEGETABLES TOTAL TONS

2. TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY MARCH, FOR THE PREVIOUS
NUMBERS: YEAR, AND JULY, FOR THE
CATTLE AND BUFFALOES TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
SHEEP EZD GOATS TOTAL NUMBERS OF THE SOCIAL SECTOR
POULTRY TOTAL IN THE 1ST HALF OF THE YEAR.

3. PRODUCTION OF LIVESTOCK ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY
PRODUCTS: DATA AVAILABLE AS OF MARCH
MEAT TOTAL TONS 1ST - FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR,
DAIRY PRODUCTS TOTAL TONS AND BY JULY, - FINAL DATA
EGGS TOTAL IN THOUSANDS FOR THE SOCIAL SECTOR IN
THE 1ST HALF OF THE YEAR.

4. TOTAG IMPORTS OF AGRICUL- APRIL, FOR THE PREVIOUS
TURAL COMMODITIES IN TONS (KG): YEAR.
GRAINS TOTAL TONS
INDUSTRIAL CROPS TOTAL TONS

5. TOTAL EXPORTS OF AGRICUL- APRIL, FOR THE PREVIOUS
TURAL COMMODITIES IN TONS (KG): YEAR.
GRAINS TOTWL TONS
INDUSTRIAL CROPS TOTAL TONS
(OILSEEDS)
MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS TOTAL TONS
DAIRY PRODUCTS TOTAL TONS. UNQUOTE. END TEXT.
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